

## § 162.402

### § 162.103 Definitions.

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*Controlling health plan (CHP)* means a health plan that—

(1) Controls its own business activities, actions, or policies; or

(2)(i) Is controlled by an entity that is not a health plan; and

(ii) If it has a subhealth plan(s) (as defined in this section), exercises sufficient control over the subhealth plan(s) to direct its/their business activities, actions, or policies.

*Covered health care provider* means a health care provider that meets the definition at paragraph (3) of the definition of “covered entity” at § 160.103.

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*Subhealth plan (SHP)* means a health plan whose business activities, actions, or policies are directed by a controlling health plan.

## Subparts B–C [Reserved]

## Subpart D—Standard Unique Health Identifier for Health Care Providers

SOURCE: 69 FR 3468, Jan. 23, 2004, unless otherwise noted.

### § 162.402 Definitions.

*Covered health care provider* means a health care provider that meets the definition at paragraph (3) of the definition of “covered entity” at § 160.103 of this subchapter.

EFFECTIVE DATE NOTE: At 77 FR 54719, Sept. 5, 2012, § 162.402 was removed and reserved, effective Nov. 5, 2012.

### § 162.404 Compliance dates of the implementation of the standard unique health identifier for health care providers.

(a) *Health care providers.* A covered health care provider must comply with the implementation specifications in § 162.410 no later than May 23, 2007.

(b) *Health plans.* A health plan must comply with the implementation specifications in § 162.412 no later than one of the following dates:

(1) A health plan that is not a small health plan—May 23, 2007.

(2) A small health plan—May 23, 2008.

(c) *Health care clearinghouses.* A health care clearinghouse must comply

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with the implementation specifications in § 162.414 no later than May 23, 2007.

EFFECTIVE DATE NOTE: At 77 FR 54719, Sept. 5, 2012, § 162.404 was amended by redesignating paragraph (a) as paragraph (a)(1); adding paragraph (a)(2), effective Nov. 5, 2012. For the convenience of the user, the added text is set forth as follows:

### § 162.404 Compliance dates of the implementation of the standard unique health identifier for health care providers.

(a) \* \* \*

(2) An organization covered health care provider must comply with the implementation specifications in § 162.410(b) by May 6, 2013.

### § 162.406 Standard unique health identifier for health care providers.

(a) *Standard.* The standard unique health identifier for health care providers is the National Provider Identifier (NPI). The NPI is a 10-position numeric identifier, with a check digit in the 10th position, and no intelligence about the health care provider in the number.

(b) *Required and permitted uses for the NPI.* (1) The NPI must be used as stated in § 162.410, § 162.412, and § 162.414.

(2) The NPI may be used for any other lawful purpose.

### § 162.408 National Provider System.

*National Provider System.* The National Provider System (NPS) shall do the following:

(a) Assign a single, unique NPI to a health care provider, provided that—

(1) The NPS may assign an NPI to a subpart of a health care provider in accordance with paragraph (g); and

(2) The Secretary has sufficient information to permit the assignment to be made.

(b) Collect and maintain information about each health care provider that has been assigned an NPI and perform tasks necessary to update that information.

(c) If appropriate, deactivate an NPI upon receipt of appropriate information concerning the dissolution of the health care provider that is an organization, the death of the health care provider who is an individual, or other circumstances justifying deactivation.